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Alameda Buddhists Set Terao Retirement Fete

ALAMEDA, Nov. 7 — In honor of the retirement of Rev. Eiyu Terao as an active minister of the Buddhist Churches of America, the Buddhist Temple of Alameda has made plans to commemorate the occasion which will be held on Sunday, Nov. 26.

Starting at 1:30 p.m., there will be a Farewell Service in the church chapel with Bishop Kenryu Tsuji and the ministers of the Bay District participating.

Following the service, a Retirement Banquet honoring Rev. and Mrs. Terao will be held at the Blue Dolphin restaurant in the San Leandro Marina where a no-host cocktail hour at 4 p.m. will precede the dinner at 5 p.m. Presentation of gifts and a period of entertainment will round out the evening.

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Friends are invited to attend this happy occasion by making reservations with the Retirement Banquet Reservation Committee, chaired by George Tsuchiya, phone no. 763-5162, or writing direct to the Buddhist Temple of Alameda, 2325 Pacific av., Alameda 94501. The cost of the dinner will be $10 per person.

With Rev. Ryo Imamura as advisor, the general chairmen for the event will be Hiroshi Hashimoto and Ichiro Nishida. They will be assisted by the following sub-committee heads: James Komatsu, program; Ichiro Nishida, dinner; Yutaka Nakayama, gifts; Hiss Kataoka, hospitality; George Tsuchiya, reservation; Masao Nakano, decoration; Nobi Okada, entertainment; Mas Takano, transportation and Kiyoshi Naito, treasurer-secretary.

Schedule Announced by Stockton Temple

STOCKTON, Nov. 7 — The Stockton Buddhist church has released the following schedule of upcoming activities:

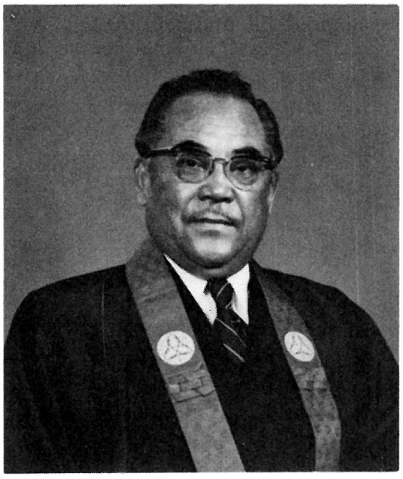
Friday, Nov. 10, 7 p.m. — Cub and Boy Scouts to meet at classrooms.

Saturday, Nov. 11, 9 a.m. — Gakuen to conduct classes at classrooms; 10 — Tomo No Kai to meet at reception room.

Sunday, Nov. 12, 10 a.m. — Sunday school; 10:30 — English service; 1:30 p.m. — Toban clean-up.

Wednesday, Nov. 15, 7:30 p.m. — Rev. Tesshi Aoyama to be speaker at the Northern California Ministers' public lecture at Stockton Buddhist church. Lecture to be in Japanese.

Inoki Says He'll



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THE REVEREND EIYU TERAO

RETIREMENT BANQUET AND TESTIMONIAL
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 1978

The Rev. Eiyu Terao, whose roots can be traced to the beautiful riverside district of Hiroshima where one can look up to the ever flourishing flora of Mt. Futaba, swim in the eternally clear waters of Ota River, and get a glimpse of Miyajima in the remote distance, was born on November 18, 1913 as a member of the Zenkyo Temple in Hiroshima-ken, Asa-gun, Mikawa-mura, Higashino.

He grew up in this Aki District noted for its strong Nembutsu followers.

After graduating from the Sotoku High School he received his Tokudo (ordination) on August 16, 1935 and his Kyoshi Credentials in the following year on July 18, 1936.

He graduated from Ryukoku University, Kyoto, in March 1938. Upon graduation he was issued an order from the Jodo Shinshu Hompa Hongwanji to serve with the San Francisco Buddhist Temple as of May 15, 1938.

After serving a period of 11 months, he was transferred to the Oakland Buddhist Temple, particularly at the request of the YBA leaders, as of April 1939.

On March 3, 1940, Rev. Terao married nee Mitsuko Tateyama, the second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kinzo Tateyama of Stockton.

At the request of the late Bishop Ryotai Matsukage, his superior who hailed from his neighboring domicile, he was assigned as of April 1, 1940 to the Seattle Buddhist Temple that at the time was located on 1020 Main Street, Seattle, Washington, the center of Nembutsu followers in the Northwest, to assist with the temple and hall construction plans (the present Seattle Betsuin).

There he assisted the late Rev. Tatsuya Ichikawa primarily in the field of Sunday school, YBA, and as principal of the Japanese Language School. Finally the ground breaking ceremony was held on September 13, 1951 in the presence of all Northwest ministers and construction was completed in October 1941.

The Dedication Ceremony was held on October 15, 1941 at the North American Butokkai Hall which had served as the interim hall.

At the outbreak of the Pacific War on December 7, 1941 work still continued on the flooring of the hall which was not completed until February 1942. However, in March a government order was issued for all persons of Japanese ancestry to leave the Pacific

Coast areas and in May they were assembled at the Puyallup Assembly Center.

Later they were forced to relocate to the Minidoka Relocation Center in Idaho where approximately 10,000 persons of Japanese ancestry were interned.

At the outset, the Rev. Terao was the only Buddhist minister in camp. Thereafter, he concentrated his total effort to his missionary work over the four year internment period. At times his health broke down and he was hospitalized.

At times, in case of cremations, he had to travel together with the bereaved family members the 250 miles to Salt Lake City under military escort.

Thus his memories of the war years are filled with sorrowful and agonizing experiences.

With the termination of the war on August 15, 1945, internment came to an end but the haunting thought of the atomic bombing of Hiroshima on August 6, 1945, the tradegy of the century, in which more than 200,000 lives were sacrificed left an indellible mark on his life.

His parents and younger sister who were looking forward to a day of his return vanished forever.

As a memorial to his parents and to other atom bomb victims, he determined to extend the sphere of the Nembutsu to a virgin territory.

He went to Spokane with the intention of establishing a sanctuary of Buddhists. Here he experienced much hardships in his task to establish a sanctuary which was later named the Spokane Buddhist Temple.

In this trying days, his missionary efforts was not restricted to the Spokane area but extended into the remote parts of the State of Washington, far into Montana, and even into the hinterlands of Canada.

In the meantime, inexperienced as he was with carpentry, he continued to hammer away for ten long years with the alterations and finishing work on the temple building.

In an area where no members existed, gradually one here, one there came to listen to the Compassionate teaching of the Nembutsu and finally the temple membership grew to over one hundred. Thereupon, he was able to organize a Sunday School, YBA, ABA, Fujinkai, and even a Japanese language School.

Thus he succeeded in his noble quest to transmit the Light of Dharma in the Eastern part of the State of Washington.

Meanwhile, the Yakima Buddhist Temple which had flourished under the pre-war leadership of the Rev. Tessho Matsumoto was left unattended because only a very few members returned to the area after the war.

It was not in his disposition to allow the Light of Dharma to be extinguished there, so he drove the distance of 250 miles monthly, in case of funerals more often, and undertook this double duty for 13 years.

On orders from Bishop Shinsho Hanayama he departed from his beloved home town of Spokane after 17 years, leaving the temple affairs in the charge of his brother, Rev. Shigeo Terao, and assumed his position as resident minister of the Alameda Buddhist Temple on January 15, 1961.

At Alameda he continued to further the Buddha Dharma and the Nembutsu diligently and served as the head of the Bay District Ministers Association (Kyoku-cho) for six terms and serves as the Advisor to the Fujinkai until this date.

His family consists of his wife, Mitsuko, first daughter Reiko, second daughter Nobuko, first son Shoei, and third daughter, Yoshiko.

His first daughter Reiko is a graduate of University of Washington, second daughter, son and third daughter are all graduates of the University of California, Berkeley.

The first two daughters have married a businessman and dentist, respectively, and his son is in the employe of the Japan Air Lines Main Office in New York.

His third daughter is teaching the English language at the Musashi Women's College, Sapporo, and the I.A.Y. Foreign Language School.

Yoshiko was married at the Alameda Buddhist Temple this past April 23 to Mr. Kanji Suehiro of Sapporo.

After the wedding they have returned to Sapporo where they both serve as English language instructors. Rev. Terao is now gifted with three grandchildren.

In May 1963, he was awarded the Hongwanji ranking of Shinju Nito and in 1967, the rank of Shinju Itto.

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It is hoped that you will be able to take part in this memorable occasion, and we are looking forward to your presence. An early response will be appreciated by returning the enclosed reply card.

In Gassho,

Takio Nishida

Buddhist Temple of Alameda

2325 Pacific Avenue

Alameda, California 94501

September 1978

Phone: 522 - 5243

To: Committee Chairmen and Members
From: General Chairman, Hiroshi Hashimoto

Subject: Retirement Banquet for Rev. H. E. Terao

The Buddhist Temple of Alameda will honor Rev. Terao at a Retirement Banquet on Sunday, November 26, at the Blue Dolphin in San Leandro.

The following is a list of the committee members. A very important meeting of all committee chairmen will be held on Thursday, September 28, at 7:30 p.m. to finalize plans for this coming event. General Chairman Hashimoto emphasizes that all chairmen should attend without fail.

GENERAL CHAIRMAN:	HIROSHI HASHIMOTO
Assistant Chairman:	Ichiro Nishida
Advisor:	Rev. Ryo Imamura
Banquet Program Committee:	Chmn: James Komatsu. Members: Yasuo Yamashita, Kazuyoshi Sato
Dinner Committee:	Chmn: Ichiro Nishida. Members: Tom Okamoto, Jerry Shibata
Gift Committee:	Chmn: Yutaka Nakayama. Members: Tsuneji Sakamoto, Takashi Takahashi, Non Iwahashi
Hospitality Committee:	Chmn: Hiss Kataoka. Members: Kaz Shintani, Susumu Tomine, Hideo Yamashita, Kanji Kuramoto
Reservation Committee:	Chmn: George Tsuchiya. Members: Tom Yamagami, Min Iwahashi, Shiro Takeshita
Transportation Committee:	Chmn: Mas Takano. Members: Frank Morikawa, Tiyo Yoshimura, Toshiro Kawabata, Don Kuge, Paul Iwahashi
Decoration Committee:	Chmn: Masao Nakano. Member: Hamako Nishida
Entertainment Committee:	Chmn: Nobi Okada. Member: Nobuso Yamamoto
Treasurer-Secretary:	Chmn: Kiyoshi Naito. Member: Joe Iwataki

All Committees will be assisted by the general membership of the church as needed.

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It is hopedthat you will join us in this memorable occasion, and we are looking forward to seeing you there. If you wish to attend, please fill in the attached form and mail it to the Reservation Committee, c/o The Buddhist Temple of Alameda, by Sunday, November 10. The dinner will be $10.00 per person, and the entree will be Roast Sirloin of Beef.

In Gassho,

To: Retirement Banquet Reservation Committee
Attn: Mr. George Tsuchiya
c/o The Buddhist Temple of Alameda
2325 Pacific Avenue
Alameda, California 94501

I (We) will attend the Retirement Service and Banquet. There will be _____ persons attending. Enclosed is a check for $ _____, at $10.00 per person. (Please make check payable to the Buddhist Temple of Alameda.

I wish to have transportation from:

_____ my home to the church
_____ church to the Blue Dolphin
_____ Blue Dolphin to my home

Signed: _____

THE REV. EIYU TERAO RETIREMENT SERVICE

BUDDHIST TEMPLE OF ALAMEDA

NOVEMBER 26, 1978 1:30 P. M.

Officiant	Rev. Eiyu Terao
Egyoji	Rev. Zuikei Taniguchi
Eyakusha	Rev. Ryo Imamura
Chairman	Mr. Yutaka Nakayama
Organist	Mrs. Shigeko Koga

P R O G R A M

Tolling of the Bell ..... Rev. Ryo Imamura

Opening address ..... Chairman

Hyobyakumon ..... Rev. Eiyu Terao

Sutra chanting: Sanbujo-Juseige ..... Ministers

Incense offering by representatives:

Alameda JACL	Mr. Yasuharu Koike
Buena Vista United Methodist Church	Mr. Shizuto Kawamura
Berkeley Buddhist Temple	Mr. Hank Kuwada
Enmanji Buddhist Temple	Mr. Hitoshi Kobayashi
Marin Buddhist Temple	Mr. Noboru Doioka
Oakland Buddhist Temple	Mr. Yoshio Nakano
Palo Alto Buddhist Temple	Mr. Hideyoshi Kashima
San Francisco Buddhist Temple	Mr. Tetsuo Ochi
San Mateo Buddhist Temple	Mr. Shigeki Mori
Southern Alameda County Buddhist Temple	Mr. Fujio Yamamoto
Bay District Buddhist Women's Association League	Mrs. Shizuye Shiozaki
Bay District Church Council	Mr. Kiyoshi Naito
Bay District Ministerial Association	Rev. Kakuei Tada
B. C. A. Ministerial Association	Rev. Junjyo Tsumura
Buddhist Churches of America	Mr. Katsumi Tokunaga

Alameda Buddhist Temple:

Sunday School	Mrs. Jean Sato
Jr. Y.B.A.	Mr. Perry Kuramoto
Sr. Y.B.A.	Mr. Mark Kataoka
Y.A.B.A.	Mr. Hiss Kataoka
Doshinkai	Mr. Kazuo Mori
Fujinkai	Mrs. Dorothy Narahara

Words of appreciation ..... Mr. Hiroshi Hashimoto

Gatha (Shinransama) ..... Sangha

Three Treasures ..... Rev. Ryo Imamura

Farewell sermon ..... Rev. Eiyu Terao

Gatha (Ondokusan) ..... Sangha

Closing address and announcements ..... Chairman

寺尾英雄師御引退特別法要式序

○時……一九七八年十一月二十六日(日)午後一時三十分より
○ところ……アラメダ佛教會に於いて

導師……寺尾英雄師
會行事……谷口瑞渓師
會役者……今村亮師
司會者……中山豊氏
オルガン奏楽……石賀繁子夫人

一 喚鐘……今村亮師
二 開會の辞……中山豊氏
三 奉請……各開教使
四 表白文……寺尾英雄師
五 読経(大無量寿経)……同
六 各団体代表焼香

誓偈

1. アラメダ市民協會……古生泰治氏
2. アラメダ美以教會……河村静人氏
3. バークレー佛教會……東田ハンク氏
4. 園満寺 〃……小林 〃 氏
5. マリン 〃……土井岡 〃 氏
6. オークランド 〃……中野義夫氏
7. パロアルト 〃……鹿島秀吉氏
8. サンフランシスコ 〃……越智哲夫氏
9. サンマテオ 〃……森重喜氏
10. 南亜郡 〃……山本藤男氏
11. 東湾教区佛婦連盟 〃……塩崎シズエ夫人
12. 全 各佛教會代表者……内藤浄氏
13. 全 南教使會……多田覚英師
14. 全米 南教使會……津村淳誠師
15. 米国佛教団……徳永克己氏
16. アラメダ佛教日旺学校……佐藤ジーン夫人
17. 全 JR. Y.B.A.……倉本ペリー氏
18. 全 SR. Y.B.A.……片岡マーク氏
19. 全 Y.A.B.A.……片岡久雄氏
20. 全 同心會……森加寿男氏
21. 全 婦人會……植原ドロシー夫人
22. アラメダ佛教會……西田一郎氏

七. 感謝の辞 …… 橋本博氏
八. 讃佛歌（親鸞さま、一、二、三節） …… 一同
九. 三帰依文 …… 今村亮師
十. 説教 …… 寺尾英雄師
十一. 讃佛歌（恩徳讃一回） …… 一同
十二. 内式の辞 …… 中山豊氏
十三. アナウンスメント・一般焼香

(一)

● 親鸞さま

そよかぜ わたる あさのまど
はたらく てのひら あわせつゝ
なむあみだぶつ となえれば
しんらんさまは にこやかに
わたしのとなりに いらっしゃる

(二)

きらめく夜空 星のかげ
あらしに消えてし かくれてし
なむあみだぶつ となえれば
しんらんさまは としびを
わたしのゆくてに かざされる

(三)

この世の旅の あけくれに
さびしいいのちを なげくとき
なむあみだぶつ となえれば
しんらんさまは よりそって
わたしの手をとり あゆまれる。

● 恩徳讃

如来大悲の恩徳は
身を粉にして 報ずべし
師主知識の恩徳も
骨を砕きても 謝すべし